



NEWS RELEASE

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RETAILERS FINED FOR SELLING TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO MINORS

The Monroe County Health Department fined 42 tobacco retailers between April-September, 2002, for selling tobacco products to minors. State law imposes fines on first-time offenders and suspension and/or revocation of lottery and tobacco licenses of repeat violators. Additionally, the law requires that the violator's business name be made public.

\$1,700 Fine (plus license suspensions noted) *

CVS 1900 S. Clinton Ave. *(tobacco – 6 months)

\$1,200 Fine (plus license suspensions noted) *

Rite Aid 1000 N. Clinton Ave. *(tobacco – 6 months)

\$1,000 Fine (plus license suspensions noted) *

Aburass Mini Market 495 South Ave. *(tobacco & lottery – 6 mo.)

\$750 Fine

Refiners 417 Monroe Ave.

\$500 Fine (plus license suspensions noted) *

CVS 1455 Lake Ave.
Kwik Fill 201 N. Washington St, E. Rochester
M&S Mini Market 505 Lyell Ave. (tobacco & lottery – 6 mo.)*
Alexandras Grocery 446 Jay St.
K Mart 400 Jay Scutti Blvd.
Bismillah Grocery 984 Portland Ave.(tobacco & lottery – 6 mo.)*

\$300 Fine

Pen-Fair Service Center 2110 Nine Mile Point Rd, Fairport
Thriftway Super Deli/Grocery 709 S. Clinton Ave.
CVS 2200 Penfield Rd, Penfield
CVS 2100 Monroe Ave.
Saratoga Pharmacy 192 Lyell Ave.
Corky's Craving Parlor 1136 Monroe Ave.
Chester's Check Cashing Ctr. 593 W. Broad St.
AMF Olympic Lanes 1350 Scottsville Rd.
Kwik Fill 851 Howard Rd.

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\$300 Fine (continued)

Bi-Rite Market	3289 E. River Rd.
J&B General Store	328 Lake Rd., Hamlin
7-Eleven	2360 W. Henrietta Rd.
Bay Ridge Mobil	420 Ridge Rd., Webster
ACME Bar and Grill	495 Monroe Ave.
S&A Market	355 Child St.
Jay Super Xtra	348 Jay St.
Eckerd	2050 Chili Ave.
Sinibad Import Company	511 E. Main St.
Michael Brady Mobil	2499 Browncroft Blvd.
Chili Arrow Mart	4179 Buffalo Rd.
Sunoco A-Plus	1540 Jefferson Rd.
J&J News Stand	231 Irondequoit Mall
CVS	1004 Culver Rd.
E&M Grocery	227 Genesee St.
Eckerd	4433 Dewey Ave.
Shamsan Mini Mart	658 Hudson Ave.
Queen Mini Mart	340 Conkey Ave.
Mobil	2301 Lyell Ave.
C&C Deli & Grill	2310 Lyell Ave.
Discount Food Market	752 Avenue D
Justina's Mini Mart	966 N. Clinton Ave.
D&D Food Center	819 Joseph Ave.

Penalties for Selling Tobacco to Minors (persons less than 18 years old):

- First Violation: \$300-\$1,000 fine; business name published
- Second Violation: \$500-\$1,500 fine; tobacco registration suspended for six months; lottery license suspended for six months; business name published
- Third Violation: \$500-\$1,500 fine; tobacco registration revoked for one year; lottery license permanently revoked; business name published

Note: Fine reductions from previous violations may be added to current fine

The Monroe County Health Department contracts with the Greece, Webster and Rochester Police Departments, and with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, to conduct underage compliance checks of tobacco retailers throughout Monroe County. Retailers that sell tobacco products to underage youths are cited with a violation of the state Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act.

In 2001, tobacco products were sold to minors in 133 of the 1,013 checks conducted (13% sold; 87% refused to sell).

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